HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 520 By Hensley

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Matthew Blair, 2005 summa cum laude graduate of Lawrence County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Blair is one such exceptional student who will graduate summa cum laude from Lawrence County High School in 2005; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Blair has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, he has earned an exemplary grade point average; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his excellence in the classroom, Matthew Blair has dedicated his time and energy to many other programs, including the football team, track team, Student Council, Key Club, National Honor's Society, Beta Club, 100 Club, First Farmers and Merchants Student Advisory Board, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, he has been selected to *Who's Who Among*American High School Students, and he has been a National Merit Commended Student in 2003; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Blair's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at East Tennessee State University, where he plans to major in Pre-Medicine; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Blair's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor Matthew Blair upon graduating summa cum laude from Lawrence County High School, salute his impressive academic achievements, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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